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To The Honorable Judge Colleen Kollar-Kotelly,

I am a user of the OS/2 operating system from IBM. I have found this to be a technologically superior product over the operating systems offered by Microsoft, including their latest version, Windows XP. Unfortunately, OS/2 has been in decline for a number of years from what I believe to be unfair monopolistic marketing tactics of Microsoft.

As a result, vendors of OS/2 related products have also diminished over the years. Contrary to arguments by Microsoft that their products encourage competition, I believe the opposite is true; that Microsoft's marketing practices actually discourages competition and stunts technological growth.

Consequently, I do not believe the Federal Government's proposed settlement with Microsoft, in its current form, is adequate and that stricter measures be imposed on the company to prohibit such tactics from being used in the future.

In other words, I agree with the States that are seeking stricter measures to be imposed on Microsoft and encourage you, for all our sakes, to implement them in your judgements against them. Please consider that if IBM's efforts can be marginalized when trying to compete against Microsoft's monopoly then who can ?

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